

Application No. 09/263,801
Attorney Docket No. 12013US02

REMARKS

The present application includes claims 2-30 and 37-51. Claims 4, 21-23, 28-30, 37-39, and 41-50 were allowed. Claims 2, 3, 5-20, 24-27, 40, and 51 were rejected. By this Amendment, claims 2-3, 5-6, 8-9, 11-12, 14, 16-17, 19, 24-25, and 51 have been canceled.

The Applicant notes that although claims 7, 10, 15, 18, and 26 were indicated as rejected in the Office Action Summary, the claims are not actually rejected in the body of the Office Action. Further, claims 7, 10, 15, 18, and 26 depend from allowed claim 4. Consequently, the Applicant respectfully submits that claims 7, 10, 15, 18, and 26 are also allowable.

Also, claims 13, 20, 27, and 40 are indicated as rejected in the Office Action Summary and are actually mentioned in the rejections in the body of the Office Action. However, claims 13, 20, 27, and 40 also depend from allowed claim 4. Consequently, the Applicant respectfully submits that claims 13, 20, 27, and 40 are also allowable.

Thus, the Applicant respectfully submits that claims 4, 7, 10, 13, 15, 18, 20-23, 26-30, and 37-50 are allowable and a Notice of Allowability is respectfully requested. All other claims have been canceled from the application.

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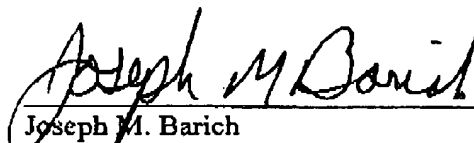
CONCLUSION

If the Examiner has any questions or the Applicant can be of any assistance, the Examiner is invited and encouraged to contact the Applicant at the number below.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any necessary fees or credit any overpayment to the Deposit Account of McAndrews, Held & Malloy, Account No. 13-0017.

Respectfully submitted,

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